

**Golf Commission Meeting
December 20, 2010
Minutes**

Members Present: Owen Evans, Vice-Chairman; Terri Deal; Ron Dray; George Furkiotis; Dave Galla; Tony Guzzi; Tony Johnson; Jim Steidlmayer; Jonathan Turk

Members Absent: none

Acting Chairman, Owen Evans called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Mr. Evans, with the consensus of the Commission, thanked outgoing Commissioner Mr. Don Espach for his service to the Golf Commission and most recently in his role as Chairman.

Review and approval of the Minutes:

Review and approval of the Minutes of November 22, 2010...A motion was made by Mr. Steidlmayer seconded by Mr. Galla to approve the minutes as is. Motion carried unanimously.

Election of Officers:

Mr. Evans moved to nominate Ron Dray as Chairman. There being no further nominations, the clerk cast one unanimous ballot for Ron Dray.

Mr. Dray moved to nominate Owen Evans as Vice-Chairman. There being no further nominations, the clerk cast one unanimous ballot for Owen Evans.

Mr. Evans then turned the meeting over to Mr. Dray as the new Chairman of the Tashua Knolls Golf Commission.

Audience Participation:

- Mr. Tim Herbst, First Selectman, congratulated new Golf Commission members Mr. Tony Guzzi and Mrs. Teri Deal and reappointed member Mr. Owen Evans. He also congratulated Mr. Dray in his new role as Commission Chairman. He also thanked golf staff members, Mr. Brown, Mr. Nagashima, and Mr. Janik, for making Tashua Knolls Golf course an asset to the Town of Trumbull.

Director of Golf Course Properties Report (Hidalgo Nagashima):

Labor:

- Director of Operations – Golf Course Properties (Hidalgo Nagashima); Mechanic (Rich Plaveck); Four full-time greensmen (Jeff Cook, Jerry Cook, Chris Gallant, Craig Romano)

Maintenance Department Outline:

- Final winter preparations include:
 - Final fungicide spray on greens
 - Turf blankets on Knolls #8 and #9, and Glen #7 and #8 greens
 - Store all on-course amenities
 - Snow fence on Knolls # 1, 3, 4, 14 and 17 and Glen # 3
 - Draw down ponds #1 and 2
- Leaf clean up is complete

Maintenance Department Follow-up:

- The irrigation system, pumphouse and on-course bathrooms have been winterized
- The pond aerators were removed and stored
- All “No Trespassing” signs have been checked
- The rocks by the 14th green have been repositioned.
- Winter tree removal and trimming has begun.
- The rain shelter on the Glen is complete with the exception of siding and lightning grounding which will be installed prior to next season’s opening.
- The Green Committee Work List has been reviewed with the maintenance staff with anticipated completion Opening Day 2011.

Green Committee (Owen Evans):

- None

Head Professional Report (Jon Janik):

- The last official day of play for the 2010 season was December 13 with the course closed on the 14th.

Tournaments:

- Organizations committed to returning in 2011 include: Trumbull Rotary, St. Vincent’s Special Needs, University of Bridgeport, Trumbull Republican Town Committee, Don Miklus Memorial, and a new Tournament Lindwald

Pro Shop:

- The closing day for the pro shop was December 19th.
- The 2nd Annual Customer appreciation night on December 8th was attended by 100 customers and consisted of raffle prizes, appetizers, and merchandise sales.

General Manager Report (Bobby Brown):

Golf Overview:

- November 2010 rounds: 2,909 (Knolls – 2,133; Glen 776) vs. Knolls – 2,140 and Glen – 865 in 2009.
- November total income for 2010 \$74,961 vs. \$80,697 in 2009
- December rounds and revenue are trending equal 2009

Plant & Facility:

- Fairfield County Sprinkler conducted its 4th quarter inspection on December 16th.

Golf Operations:

- The new EZ Go golf cars were delivered on December 2nd and 3rd
- To-date, three budget meetings have been held.
- Town attorney, Bob Nicola has been contacted for clarification on the town's position regarding alcohol on the course as well as the snow removal policy.

House Committee (Tony Johnson):

- There is a leaking gasket on one of the hot water heaters at the clubhouse. It is expected to be repaired in-house.

Finance (Dave Galla):

A preliminary budget was distributed to Commission members for a line-by-line discussion. Mr. Brown and Mr. Janik were asked to obtain capital item quotes for security fencing at the range and barn swallow protection in the cart barn. Mr. Dray asked to meet before the final budget is due. Consensus was to hold the meeting January 3rd at the golf course as it is a town holiday and Town Hall will be closed.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to accept the budget as presented. There was no second to the motion.

Correspondence:

- Letters from town attorney, Robert Nicola, were sent to Michael Williams (Gralor's attorney) and John Marsilio, Trumbull Director of Public Works, stating

the town will no longer provide snow and ice removal unless ordered to do so by an Arbitrator or by the Court.

Old Business:

- Mr. Evans distributed the revised Trumbull Municipal Golf Regulations for the Trumbull Golf Course Commission.

New Business:

A motion was made by Mr. Steidlmayer, seconded by Mr. Furkiotis to approve the 2011 Golf Commission Meeting Schedule with the change to the December meeting to the 3rd Monday. Motion carried unanimously.

- Mr. Dray appointed the following Commissioners to various sub-committees:
 - Tony Guzzi – Green Committee
 - George Furkiotis – House Committee
 - Jon Turk – Finance Committee
 - Teri Deal – Customer Satisfaction

A motion was made by Mr. Evans at 8:58 PM, seconded by Mr. Turk to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine A. Plumeau
Golf Course Commission Clerk